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FOLLOWING REPEAT CAIRO 7518 ACTION SECSTATE DATED 31 JUL 75

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DEPT PASS SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

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1. WHEN MEETING EARLIER TODAY WITH FAHMY AND, SEPARATELY, WITH SADAT AND HIS PRINCIPAL ADVISORS, I TOLD THEM IT IS OUR JUDGMENT THAT RECENT ISRAELI PUBLIC STATEMENTS AND PRIVATE MESSAGES ARE AN ATTEMPT TO GOAD THE EGYPTIANS AND US INTO UNWISE REACTIONS. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THE EGYPTIANS NOT RPT NOT REACT TO SUCH ISRAELI PROVOCATIONS AND, INSTEAD, MAINTAIN THEIR COMPOSURE.

2. BOTH FAHMY AND SADAT FULLY AGREED. SADAT SAID HE RECOGNIZES

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THESE ISRAELI STATEMENTS FOR WHAT THEY ARE. FOR THE PAST

THREE TO FOUR WEEKS THEY HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN SUCH TACTICS, DESIGNED TO EMBARRASS HIM. HE HAD NOT RPT NOT RESPONDED AND WILL NOT RPT NOT DO SO. HE REFERRED TO HIS STATEMENT AT KHARTOUM THAT IT IS BETTER TO HAVE ISRAEL IN THE UN RATHER THAN OUT AS EVIDENCE OF HIS POSITIVE BENT. (FAHMY HAD EARLIER TOLD ME THAT, TACTICALLY SPEAKING, SADAT'S KHARTOUM STATEMENT WAS "CRAZY" AND DEPLORED THE FACT THAT THE PRESIDENT HAD MADE IT.)

3. FAHMY ALSO ASSURED ME HE WILL USE HIS INFLUENCE TO INSURE THAT SADAT CONTINUES TO EXERCISE RESTRAINT.

4. SINCE VP MOBARAK, PRIMIN MAMDUH SALEM AND GEN GAMASY WERE ALSO PRESENT AT THIS EXCHANGE WITH THE PRESIDENT, THEY TOO GOT THE POINT.

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